

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2680

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2680

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2680 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to extend workers' compensation coverage to students in work-based learning programs when working for a public employer.

Specifically, this measure ensures that students participating in a school-approved work-based learning program sponsored by the Department of Education or the University of Hawaii are covered by workers' compensation coverage, regardless of whether the employer is a public or private employer.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Departments of Labor and Industrial Relations and Education. The ILWU, Local 142 offered comments.

Your Committee finds that the extension of workers' compensation coverage to students engaged in work-based learning programs is both responsible and reasonable.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2680 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



